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EMPERESS OF INDIA...	Comdr. O. P. MARSHALL, R.N.R.	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb./89
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EMPERESS OF CHINA...	Comdr. R. ARNOLD, R.N.R.	WEDNESDAY, 17th April/89

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF

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Zealand, Australia, India, etc., can take. The passengers are given choice of  
Passenger booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

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CIRCULAR PACIFIC YOUR TICKETS through Vancouver to Vancouver, Vancouver  
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Strait, Good for 9 months £100.  
The attractive features of this Company's route, embrace its PALATIA

TEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF THE  
TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award  
for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT  
MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.  
THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and  
operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.  
For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to  
D. M. HANCOCK, General Agent.

Hongkong, January 20, 1897.

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**Intimations.**

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THE CHINA & JAPAN TELEPHONE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HOTELS.	
32.—Hotel, Hongkong.	
35.—Do. Mount Austin.	
56.—Do. New Victoria.	
28.—Do. Peak.	

HONGKONG EXCHANGE.  
OPEN DAY AND NIGHT.  
LIST OF EXCHANGE SUBSCRIBERS.

No.	A	170. — Hotel, Windsor.
		62. — Ho Tung, Praya West.
		77. — Do. Praya Central.
		69. — Do. Residence.
		67. — Humphreys, J. D. Residence.
		68. — Humphreys, J. D. & Son.

129.—Aberdeen, Paper Mills Office.  
130.—Aberdeen, Paper Mills.  
140.—Anderson, Capt., East Point.  
14.—Anderson, Capt., Praya Central.  
8.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.  
B  
158.—Book, J. M., Residence.  
K  
168.—Kaw Hong Tack  
64a.—Kennedy, J., Causeway Bay.  
64.—Do., do., Horse Repository.  
107.—Kin Fat Hong.  
141.—Kingham, J. W., Office.  
120.—Kitch & Co.

143.—Bell Amestoss Co.	151.—Atuse & Co.
142.—Benjamin S. S., Residence.	
148.—Benjamin, Kelly & Pctta.	L
70.—Beurman C., Residence.	91.—Lamko & Rogge.
66.—Blackhead & Co.	97.—Lane, Crawford & Co.
65.—Blackhead, F., Residence.	117.—Land Investment Co.
66.—Bradley & Co.	89.—Layton, B., Office.
154.—Brick Co., Deep Water Bay.	90.—Du., Residence.
	167.—Leish and Orange.

122.—Burnie, & Goddard Capts.	M
39.—Butterfield & Swire, Peak Residence.	
36a.—Do. do. Quarry Bay.	
18.—Do. do. Shipping Office.	
36.—Do. do. Sugar Office.	
O	
75.—Coldbeck, Macgregor & Co.	
49.—Canadian, Pacific Rail way Co.	
106.—Men Chuen Yuen.	
98.—Man On Insurance Co.	
118.—Marty, A. R.	
112.—Melchers & Co.	
131.—Meyer & Co.	
114.—Meyer & Co., Godown.	

136.—Canton Insurance Co.	124.—Meyer & Co., North Point.
133.—Carlowitz & Co.	157.—Michaelson, St. C., Residence.
111.—Carmichael & Co.	155.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
124.—Carmichael H. F., Residence.	
162.—Chai On Insurance Co.	N
128.—Chan Choy, Residence.	125.—Nam Tai Insurance Co.
22.—China Mail Office.	5.—Nam Wo & Co.
134.—Chong Chong, West Point.	146.—National Bank.

71. — Do. — do. — Town Office.	109. — Naval Yard.
160. — Chow Fung Shang, Residence.	O
CLUES.	
149. — Club Germania.	119. — Opium Factory.
11. — Club, Hongkong.	46. — Opium Farm.
116. — Do. Luaitano.	174. — Osborne E., Residence.
10. — Do. Peak.	P

168.—Colonial Secretary.  
169.—Com. Union Assurance Co.  
77.—Comptrolors, D. Lapraik & Co., Office.  
88.—Do. do. Residence.  
72.—Counsell, J. B., Office.  
D  
170.—Clerk, and 1 other.  
68.—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
69.—P. & O. Mess, Peak,  
147.—Playfair, G. W. F., Residence.  
15.—Police Station, Central.  
B  
34.—Ray, K. C., Residence.

12. — Daily Press' Office.  
85. — Dairy Farm Office.  
77. — Dairy Farm, Pok-foo-lum.  
181. — Danby, W.  
73. — David, A. J., Residence.  
60. — David & Co.  
123. — Detective Dept., (Chinese).  
103. — Daily Mail Service.  
103. — N. E. Guard Room.  
104. — R. E. Mass.  
140. — Reuter, Brockelmann & Co.  
78. — Richardson R. L. Residence.  
184. — Ritchie, H. A.  
80. — Ritchie, H. A., Residence.  
45. — Rope Factory.

20.—Duck Co.	DOCTORS.	169.—Ross A.; Residence.
80.—Dr. Atkinson, Residence.		S
105.—Dr. Clark, Residence.		13.—Sachse, P., Residence.
2.—Mrs. Hartigan, Stedman and Rennie.		62.—Sailors' Home.
23.—Dr. Jordan, Office.		4.—Sanitarium. Pok-foo-lum.
43.—Do. Residence.		94.—Sassoon, M. S. & Co.
		99.—Shewan, Tomes & Co.

159.—Dr. Paulon Office.  
127.—Dr. Paulon, Residence.  
55.—Dr. Rennie.  
36.—Dr. Stedman, Residence.  
182.—Dr. Thomson, Office.  
193.—Do, Residence.  
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81.—Steen-son & Co.  
173.—Smith, A. Findley.  
166.—Scott H., Residence.  
198.—Jasp Factory, Shauckiwan.  
100.—Spery Flour Co.  
61.—Stevens, G. B., Office.  
62.—Do do, Residence.  
153.—Straits Insurance Co.

41.—Dowden, Carnil & Co.	63.—Sui Kiat Bank.
47.—Donglas Lapraik & Co.	
E	T
138.—Edye, Surg. Capt., Residence.	14.—Telegraph Companies.
58.—Electric Co.	28.—Tomes, C. A., Residence.
58A.—Electric Co., Residence.	187.—Tong Lee Chay, Office.
F	138.—Tong Lee Chay, Shaukiwan.
	64.—Tram Station, Peak.

142.—Denwick, Geo., & Co.  
74.—Fletcher & Co.

G

135.—Gande, Price & Co.  
182.—Garrity, J. H., Residence.  
43.—Gas Co., East Point.  
47.—Do, West Point.

H

85.—Hung Kee & Co.

W

16.—Watson A. S., & Co.  
6.—Warr & Godown, Head Office.  
7.—Warr & Godown Co., Kowloon.  
21.—Warr & Godown Co., Wharfedale.  
23.—Warr & Godown Co., West Point.

131.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.	177.—Wichman, W. H., Residence.
44.—Government House.	183.—Wieler & Co.
	144.—Wing Kae & Co., Office.
	145.—Do., Godown.
	63.—Wo Kse & Co.
153.—Hall, F. W., Residence.	
171.—Hancock A., Residence.	
20.—Harbour Master.	
59.—Hasting, Buchmann & Menzell.	181.—Yan Woo Co.

85.—Harting, G., Residence.	33.—Yuen Pak Hong.
86.—Harrison, W. Stuart, Residence.	79.—Yuen Lam Kee.
87.—Haskell, D., Residence.	
92.—Bernann, C., Residence.	
113.—Him Kee & Co.	
77.—Holliday, Wae & Co.	
101.—H. O. Hall, S. Co., Office.	
74.—H. H. Hall, S. Co., Office.	

**PRIVATE TELEPHONE LINES.**

Hongkong Telegraph.

Jardine, Matheson & Co., East Point.

Kowloon Dock.

Luns, Crawford & Co.

198.—Hongkong Fire Insurance Co.  
9.—H. & S. Bank.  
84.—H. & S. Bank, Mess.  
1.—Hongkong Telegraph Office.

**HOSPITALS.**

20.—Hospital, Alice Memorial.  
26.—Hospital, Prince of Wales.

199.—London & Lancashire Fire Insurance Co.  
Meyer & Co.  
North China Insurance Co.  
Tramway Company.

In case of FIRE ALARM No. 15.  
NORTH ADDRESS.—15, Prince Central.  
For full particulars, see, etc.

115 - Hospital, Netherlands.	W. STUART HARRISON
8 - Do. Post.	Manager,
110 - Hospital, Naval.	
178 - Do. Jung Wah.	Hongkong, January, 1897.

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## INSURANCES.

**UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.**  
(Incorporated in the City of London)  
A.D. 1714.  
CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £400,000.  
CAPITAL PAID UP, £100,000.  
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEED £2,500,000.  
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £850,000.

THE undersigned, having been appointed  
AGENTS of the above Society in Hong-  
kong, are prepared to issue POLICIES against  
FIRE on the usual terms.  
HARRY WICKING & Co.,  
1421  
Praya Central.

**NORTH-BRITISH AND MERCANTILE  
INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st December, 1896,  
£12,431,131.

Authorized Capital, £3,000,000.  
Subscribed Capital, £2,700,000.  
Paid-up Capital, £2,697,999.  
Fire Funds, £2,691,013.0.0.

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the  
above Company we are prepared to  
accept ENDORSEMENTS and CHARGES at  
Current Rates.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
Hongkong, July 23, 1896.

## Intimations.

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Consulting Mechanical Engineers  
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Hongkong, November 11, 1896.

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No. 8, Queen's Road, Central.

HEAD OFFICE:—TOKYO.  
BRANCH OFFICE:—LONDON, NEW YORK,  
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, MANILA, CANTON,  
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JAPAN.  
AGENTS:—

MIKE COAL MINES.  
QUANQUA COAL MINES.  
KANADA COAL MINES.  
TOKIO MARINE INSURANCE CO., LTD.  
MELITE FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.  
IMPERIAL GOVT. PAPER MILL, Japan.  
COTTON CHEMISTS, Japan.  
OSODA CHEMISTS, Japan.  
KANAGAWA COTTON SPINNING MILL, Ltd.  
MIKE COTTON SPINNING MILL, Ltd.  
TOKIO COTTON SPINNING MILL, Ltd.  
BAYABU CLOTH FACTORY.  
Hongkong, December 11, 1896.

## SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS.—FEBRUARY 4, 1897.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Per cent.	Closing Quotations.
<b>BANKS.</b>				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	123	all 184 % prem.	—\$355, sales & buyers
Bank of China & Japan, Limited	33,500	52	60.00	—
Ordinary	108,500	8	2.10	—
Deferred	1,250	12	8.00	—
National Bank of China, Limited	10,000	250	51.87	sales and buyers
<b>MARINE INSURANCES.</b>				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	24,000	83.33	27.5	sales
China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	100.00	25	105
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,000	10	28.25	sales
Strait Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	250	28.25	sales
Union Assurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	250	28.25	sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	100	60	—
<b>FIRE INSURANCES.</b>				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	200	114	sales and buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	250	50	570, sales and buyers
<b>DOCK.</b>				
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	12,500	125	all 329 % prem.	—\$411.25, buyers
<b>RETAILERS.</b>				
China and Manila S. Co., Ltd.	5,000	50	all 825	buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	15	15	322.25, sales
H.K. & M. Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	10	all 642	sales and buyers
Indo-China S. N. Co., Limited	60,000	102	10	72, buyers
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	102	5	22.5
<b>DO.</b>				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	100	all 3139	buyers
Luna Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	100	all 350	sales and buyers
<b>WAREHOUSES.</b>				
H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	20,000	50	all 350	sales
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited	2,000	100	37	343
<b>LAND AND BUILDING.</b>				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	100	50	277, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	50	30	315, buyers
Hampshire Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	25,400	10	all 304	sales
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,000	50	40	319, sales and buyers
<b>RAILWAYS.</b>				
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	100	all 334	buyers
<b>MINING.</b>				
Jobai Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	40,000	5	all 22.25	buyers
Peyong Mining Co., Ltd.	80,000	4	all 100	sales and buyers
Songhai Mining Co., Ltd.	12,000	500	all 875	buyers
New Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	50,000	5	all 11.50	—
Ranb Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	1	13/10	110, sales
Olive's Freshoil Mines, Ltd.	10,000	5	all 15	—
<b>PLANTING, ETC.</b>				
China-Borneo Company, Ltd.	7,500	50	all 100	—
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited in liq.	5,000	50	all in liq.	—
<b>HOTELS, ETC.</b>				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	50	all 336	—
<b>DISTILLERS.</b>				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	50,000	10	all 112.50	sales
Dakin, Quicksilver & Co., Ltd. in liq.	50,000	5	all in liquidation	—
<b>HK and China Gas Co., Limited</b>	7,000	10	all 8110	buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	10	all 877	sales
<b>BRICK AND CEMENT.</b>				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	20,000	10	all 821	sales and buyers
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Bell's Artistic Eastern Agency, Ltd.	3,000	1	12 1/2	58
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,000	10	all 80	buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	25	25	332, sales and buyers
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd.	6,000	50	all 185	nom.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	50	all 1113	—
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	50	all 1113	—
Phone Reps Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	5,000	50	all 1115	sales
Kwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	10,000	100	110	110, buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	100	110	110, buyers
Loan-Kong-Moy Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	100	110	110, buyers
Cornwall & Co., Ltd.	2,000	25	20	39
By Cheong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	50	110	110, buyers
Founders shares				
China Imperial 1896	207,900	110	250	7 % in advance 10 % prem.

Amount. Value. Interest. Quotation.  
A. G. STOKES, Share Broker.

## Intimations.

**THE CHINESE MAIL**  
報日字華  
(Wah Tai Tat Pe)

THIS paper is now issued every day.  
The subscription is fixed at Five Dollars per annum delivered in Hongkong, or Eleven Dollars Forty Cents in-  
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containing the whole of the Proceedings at the Police Court, full report of the trial in Criminal Sessions, with connected Correspondence and comments of the Press.  
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**Fees for Public Vehicles.**  
IN VICTORIA WITH TWO SEATERS.  
Half hour . . . 0.12  
One hour . . . 0.20  
Two hours . . . 0.40  
Three hours . . . 0.60  
Four hours . . . 0.80  
Five hours . . . 1.00  
Six hours . . . 1.20  
Seven hours . . . 1.40  
Eight hours . . . 1.60  
Nine hours . . . 1.80  
Ten hours . . . 2.00  
Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) \$1.  
If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

BEYOND VICTORIA, WITH FOUR SEATERS.  
Half hour . . . 0.15  
One hour . . . 0.30  
Two hours . . . 0.60  
Three hours . . . 0.90  
Four hours . . . 1.20  
Five hours . . . 1.50  
Six hours . . . 1.80  
Seven hours . . . 2.10  
Eight hours . . . 2.40  
Nine hours . . . 2.70  
Ten hours . . . 3.00  
Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) \$1.50.  
If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

NOTE.—Victoria extends from Mount Robinson Road, up to the level of Robinson Road. If the vehicle is discharged beyond these limits half fare extra is to be allowed for the return journey. Extra baggage or drivers and extra hours to be paid proportionately.

Quarter hour . . . 0.05  
Half hour . . . 0.10  
Three hours . . . 0.30  
Four hours . . . 0.40  
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Ten hours . . . 1.00  
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## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over two ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements of the newspaper, and the same date. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copy-books, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books.

The sender of a Registered Article for a Union Country may obtain an acknowledgment of delivery on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patents for such articles are limited to 8 ounces except to Austria, Belgium, Russia, Bulgaria, Congo Free State, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Egypt, France, Greece, Guatemala, Hawaii, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Liberia, Luxembourg, Mexico, Persia, Peru, Portugal, Roumania, Salvador, Serbia, Siam, Spain, Switzerland, Tunis, the Argentine Republic, the Dominican Republic, the Republic of Honduras, United States, to which places 2 oz. (350 grammes) is the limit, and must not exceed these dimensions: 12 inches by 8 inches by 4 inches.

Countries of the Postal Union.  
The Union may be taken to comprise all civilized countries.

Postage to the United Kingdom.  
Letters, 10 cents per 1/2 oz.  
Post Cards, 4 cents each.  
Registration, 10 cents.  
Books, Patterns and 2 cents per 2 oz.  
Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

Postage to Union Countries.  
General Rates, by any route:  
Letters, 10 cents per 1/2 oz.  
Post Cards, 4 cents each.  
Registration, 10 cents.  
Books, Patterns and 2 cents per 2 oz.  
Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

LOCAL POSTAGE.  
The General Local Rates for Hongkong, China and Treaty Ports (Canton excepted) are:  
Letters per 1/2 oz., 5 cents (c).  
Post Cards, each, 1 cent.  
Reply Post Cards, 2 cents each.  
Books and Patterns, per 2 oz., 2 cents.  
Newspapers and Prices Current, 2 cents.  
Registration, 5 cents.

(c) Between Hongkong, China, and Macao 2 cents.

Local Delivery.  
1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day. In Town (Ship Street to Bonham Strand West, up to level of Robinson Road) at 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m. In the Suburbs (S. a.m., noon, 5 p.m., unless the delivery should be required by the Contract Mails.

2. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividends, &c., to their addresses, or of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, or the Ports of China, may deliver them to the Post Office unsealed, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

3. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed; if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

The Post Office declines all responsibility for Unregistered Letters containing Bank Notes or Jewellery, and where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO REQUISITION into alleged losses of such letters.

It is forbidden to insert in ordinary or Registered Correspondence (a) Current Coin (b) Articles liable to Customs Duty.

Parcel Post to the United Kingdom.  
Parcels not exceeding 11 lbs. in weight are accepted in Hongkong and at Post Offices in China, for transmission to the United Kingdom by P. & O. Packet via Gibraltar. No parcel is sent with the Overland Mail via Brindisi. Parcels therefore arrive in London about eight days later than parcels sent by the P. & O. Mail.

Parcels must be posted in Hongkong before 3 p.m. on the day before the departure of the Mail. Those arriving from the Coast, &c., after this hour are kept for the following P. & O. Mail.

The Postage is 40 cents per lb., and 25 cents each succeeding lb. or fraction of a lb. which includes Registration fee, and must be prepaid in stamps. No further charge is made in the United Kingdom except for Customs Duty. No parcel may be more than 3 feet 6 inches in length, or 6 feet in greatest length and girth combined. A receipt is given for each Parcel.

The sender must fill up a form of Customs Declaration, which can be obtained free at each Post Office. No parcel can be accepted till this is completely and accurately filled. The only articles ordinarily sent from China which are liable to duty are Tea and Tobacco.

Dangerous or perishable goods, articles likely to injure Mails, Liquids (unless securely packed) or parcels easily crushed, such as band-boxes, are prohibited. No Parcel can be received if its value exceeds \$500. A Parcel may contain a letter to the same address as that of the Parcel itself, or another Parcel to the same address. No other enclosures are allowed.

With regard to inward Parcels, addressees are requested to observe that the Parcel Mail is not opened until the ordinary distribution of letters, &c., is finished. The postage on Parcels at home is 1d. per lb. The Regulations are generally similar to the above, and the Parcels are sent out via Gibraltar.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.  
The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately after the loss was discovered, and within a year at the most from the date of Posting.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck